

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

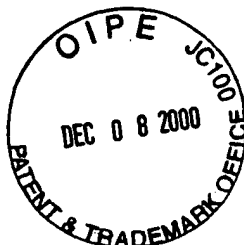
#5
CD
2-17-01

In re Patent Application of

LEVIN et al

Serial No. 09/618,759

Filed: July 18, 2000



Atty. Ref.: 3659-10

Group: 3762

Examiner:

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERIPHERAL VEIN FLUID
REMOVAL IN HEART FAILURE

* * * * *

December 8, 2000

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

RECEIVED
DEC 18 2000
TC 3700 MAIL ROOM

- ☒ 1. **PTO-1449 Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)**
[within 3 months of filing or prior to 1st Office Action] N/C
- ☐ 2. **Statement Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)**
[before Final Office Action or Allowance] N/C
- ☐ 3. **Fee Payment Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c)**
[before Final Office Action or Allowance] \$180.00
- ☐ 4. **Petition, Statement & Petition Fee Payment Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d)**
[before Issue Fee payment] \$130.00

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The following are submitted in the above-identified application in compliance with 37
C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98:

- ☒ 5. A list of documents on Form PTO-1449 together with copies of each
identified document and a translation or a concise explanation of each non-
English language document is enclosed herewith.

This paper is submitted in accordance with:

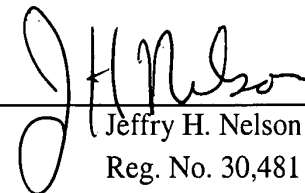
- ☒ 6. 37 CFR 1.97(b): [within 3 months of filing or prior to 1st Office Action]

- ☐ 7. 37 CFR 1.97(c): [before Final Office Action or Allowance, whichever is earlier]; and
- ☐ a) The required Statement made in item 9 below; or
- ☐ b) The \$180.00 fee specified in 37 CFR §1.17(p) for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is authorized in item 10 below.
- ☐ 8. 37 CFR §1.97(d): [before issue fee payment]; and
- ☐ a) This is a petition for consideration of the subject Information Disclosure Statement. The petition fee (\$130.00) required by 37 CFR §1.17(i) is authorized in item 10 below; and
- ☐ b) The required Statement is stated in item 9 below.
- ☐ 9. Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e)
- ☐ a) Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement; or
- ☐ b) No item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing this Statement, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☒ 10. Please charge all applicable fees associated with the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement and any other fees applicable to this application to Deposit Account No. 14-1140. An original and one (1) copy of this document are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.

By: _____


Jeffrey H. Nelson
Reg. No. 30,481

JHN:maw
1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor
Arlington, VA 22201-4714
Telephone: (703) 816-4000
Facsimile: (703) 816-4100

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
CITATION

ATTY. DOCKET NO.

SERIAL NO.

3659-10

09/618,759

APPLICANT

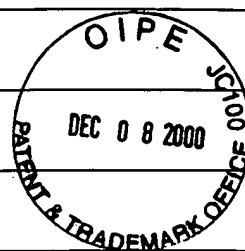
LEVIN et al

FILING DATE

GROUP

(Use several sheets if necessary)

July 18, 2000



U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
<i>[Signature]</i>	4,936,980	06/1990	Yoshimichi et al			
	5,114,580	05/1992	Ahmad et al			
	5,707,086	01/1998	Treu et al			
	5,725,776	03/1998	Kenley et al			
<i>[Signature]</i>	5,910,252	06/1999	Truitt et al			
	6,090,048	07/2000	Hertz et al			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES NO

OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent pages, etc.)

*Examiner

Date Considered

Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to application.

Form PTO-FB-A820 (Also PTO-1449)

RECEIVED
DEC 18 2000
3700 MAIL ROOM